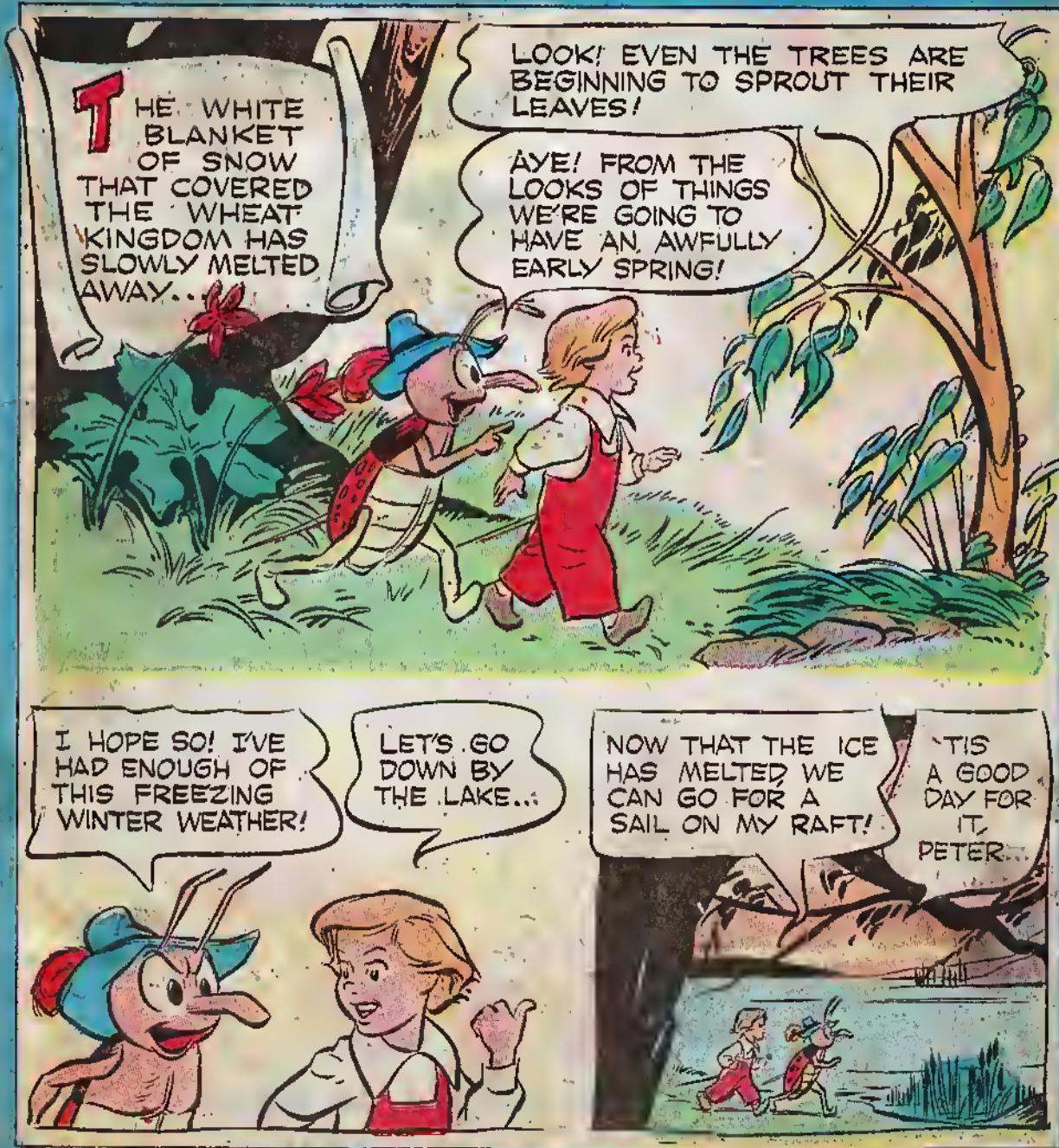


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PRESENTS



The Adventures of **PETER WHEAT**



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THERE'S A STRONG BREEZE COMING FROM THE NORTH!

WAIT UP BEETLE...

MORE THAN A BREEZE IS COMING FROM THE NORTH. BEHOLD... SOMEONE APPROACHES ON A BUTTERFLY!

HELLO, PETER... BEETLE!

WHY IT'S QUEEN PAM OF JOYFUL VALLEY!

WELCOME TO THE WHEAT KINGDOM, QUEEN PAM!

THANK YOU, PETER! BUT MY VISIT MUST BE A SHORT ONE...

I CAME OVER TO INVITE YOU AND THE WHEAT FOLK TO OUR FLOWER FESTIVAL IN JOYFUL VALLEY!

WHEN DOES IT START?

TOMORROW MORNING!
COME EARLY AND STAY
LATE! 'BYE!

WE'LL HAVE TO SPREAD THE
WORD TO THE WHEAT FOLK
SO THEY'LL BE READY TO
LEAVE FIRST THING IN THE
MORNING!

WE'LL BE
THERE!

'BYE!

AYE! IT'S A
LONG
JOURNEY!

THE FOLLOWING
MORNING,
THE WHEAT FOLK
ARE READY TO
LEAVE ...
ALL, THAT IS,
EXCEPT ONE!

WHERE'S
LIZARD?

I DON'T
KNOW!

HAVEN'T SEEN HIM!

LET'S LEAVE
WITHOUT
HIM!

I'LL GO
CHECK AND
SEE IF HE'S
IN HIS HOUSE!

HURRY!
WE'RE
LATE
NOW!

LIZARD! ARE YOU GOING
WITH US?

UH? OH, I GUESS
I OVERSLEPT!

I REALLY SHOULDN'T BE GOING, PETER! I HAVE THE "SNEEZIES"!

YOU'LL FORGET ABOUT YOUR SNEEZING IN JOYFUL VALLEY!

BEETLE AND I WILL LEAD THE WAY! BE SURE AND STAY CLOSE TOGETHER!

AYE!



SHORTLY, WHY DON'T WE TAKE THE SHORT CUT, PETER? WE COULD MAKE UP THAT TIME WE LOST WAITING FOR LIZARD!

I DON'T THINK IT WOULD BE WISE, BEETLE!

GOING THROUGH THE FORBIDDEN CAVES MIGHT PROVE DANGEROUS!

AW-



THOSE GIANT BATS LIVING INSIDE ALWAYS SLEEP DURING THE DAYTIME!

PERHAPS YOU'RE RIGHT!

REMEMBER! NO SOUND AS WE GO THROUGH THE FORBIDDEN CAVES! WE DON'T WANT TO AWAKEN THE GIANT BATS!

WE'LL BE QUIET, PETER!



CAUTIOUSLY THEY MOVE THROUGH THE DARK CAVE. THE SLEEPING BATS ARE UNAWARE OF THEIR PRESENCE, WHEN SUDDENLY...

AH-AHHH...



AH-CHOO!



I'M SORRY, PETER! I COULDN'T HELP IT! MY "SNEEZIES," YOU KNOW!

QUICK! THE BATS ARE WAKING UP!



IF WE CAN ONLY MAKE IT TO THE EXIT IN TIME!

TOO LATE, PETER! HERE THEY COME!



THEY'VE GOT MOLE, PETER!

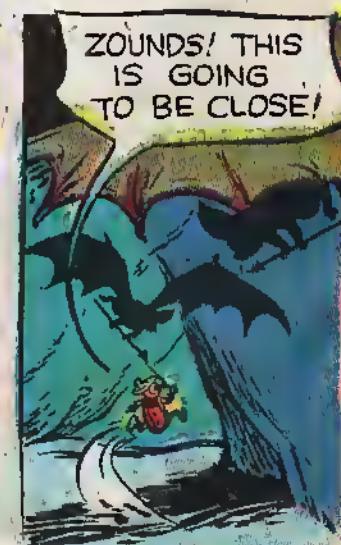
HELP!



WE'LL HAVE TO STAY AND FIGHT!

AYE! BUT WE'RE OUTNUMBERED TEN TO ONE!

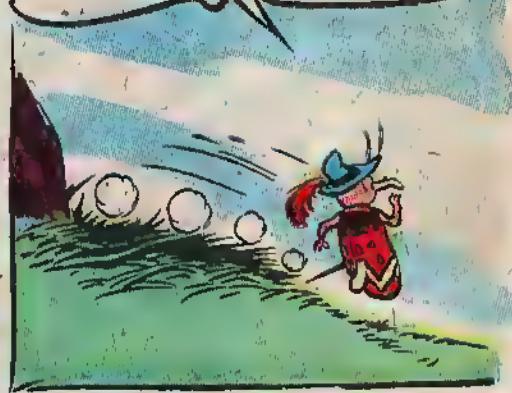
YOU'LL REGRET SNEAKING THROUGH OUR CAVES!



MADE IT! IT'S A GOOD THING THOSE BATS CAN'T SEE IN THE DAYLIGHT!



OTHERWISE, HE COULD HAVE ZOOMED OUT OF THE CAVE AND GRABBED ME!



I WONDER WHY PETER WANTED ME TO SEE QUEEN PAM? SHE HAS NO WARRIOR'S TO GO TO THE RESCUE!



SHORTLY

QUEEN PAM!
QUEEN PAM!

WHAT IS IT, BEETLE? WHERE'RE PETER AND THE WHEAT FOLK?



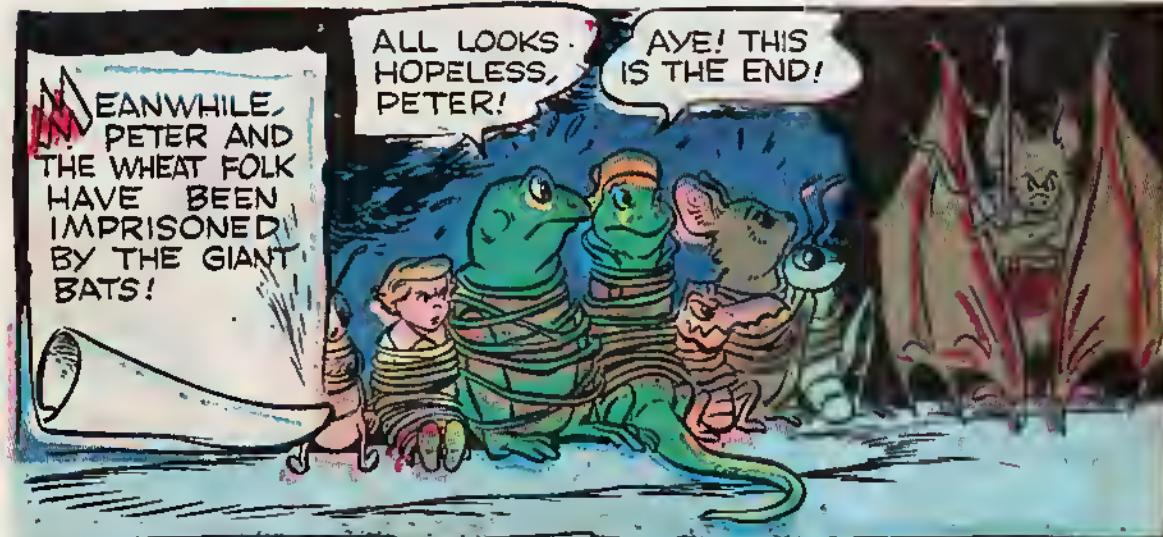
ALL ARE IN THE FORBIDDEN CAVES... AND BY NOW I FEAR THEY ARE CAPTIVES OF THE GIANT BATS!



PETER SEEMED TO THINK YOU COULD FIGURE OUT A WAY TO SAVE THEM!



THERE
MUST
BE A
WAY!



IF BEETLE DOESN'T RETURN SOON WITH HELP, I AM AFRAID WE'LL BE DONE FOR!

(SNIFF) I SHOULD HAVE STAYED HOME IN BED WITH MY "SNEEZIES"!

I WISH YOU HAD! YOUR SNEEZE IS WHAT GOT US INTO THIS MESS!



PUT THEM IN THE TORTURE CHAMBER!

NAY! WE'LL USE THEM FOR SLAVES!

WE'RE GAINING VALUABLE TIME WHILE THEY'RE ARGUING OVER WHAT TO DO WITH US!

AYE! EVERY MINUTE COUNTS!

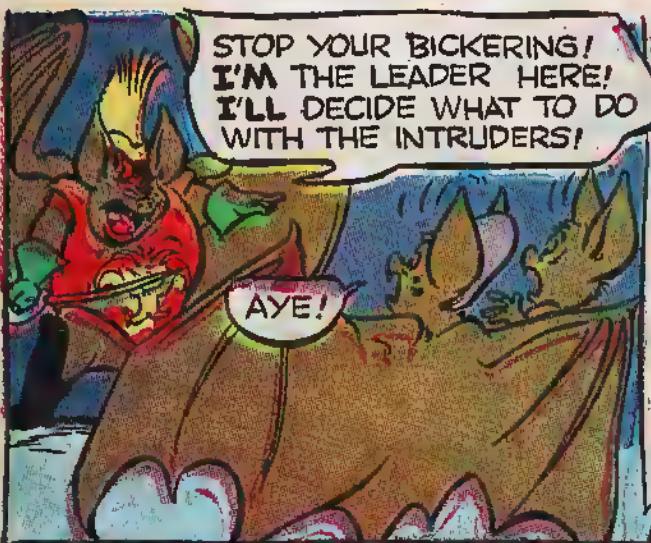


STOP YOUR BICKERING! I'M THE LEADER HERE! I'LL DECIDE WHAT TO DO WITH THE INTRUDERS!

AYE!

DROP THEM IN THE BOTTOMLESS PIT!

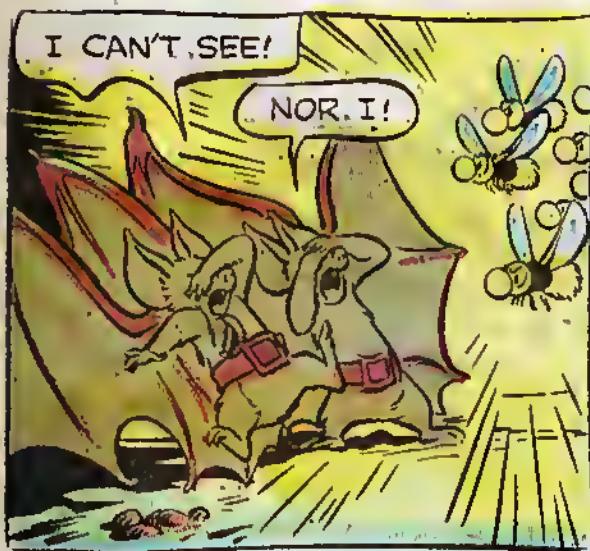
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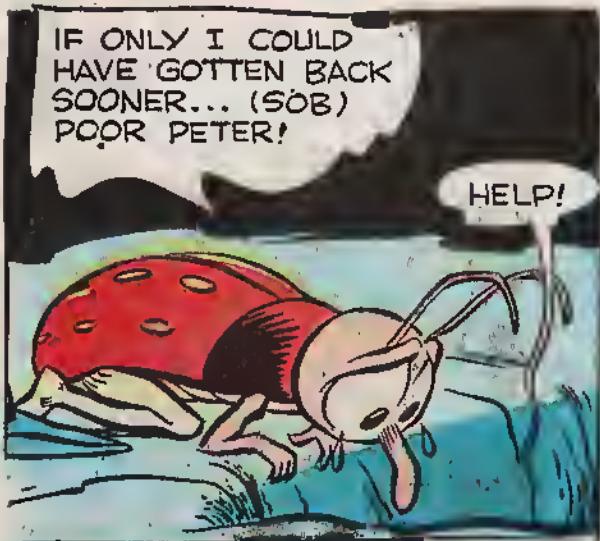
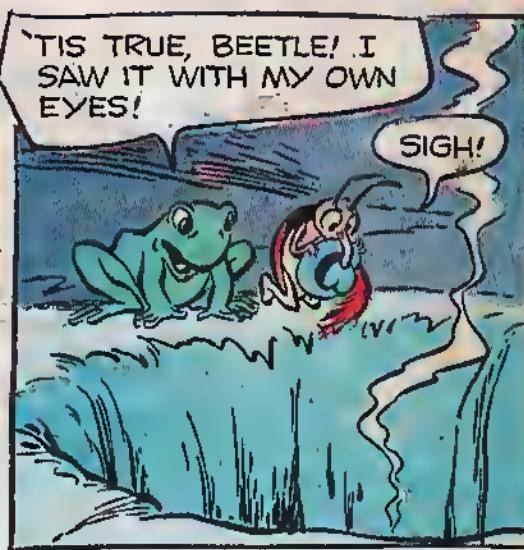


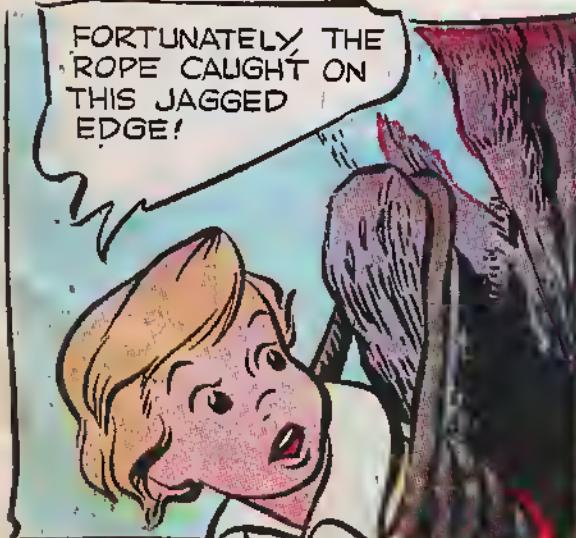
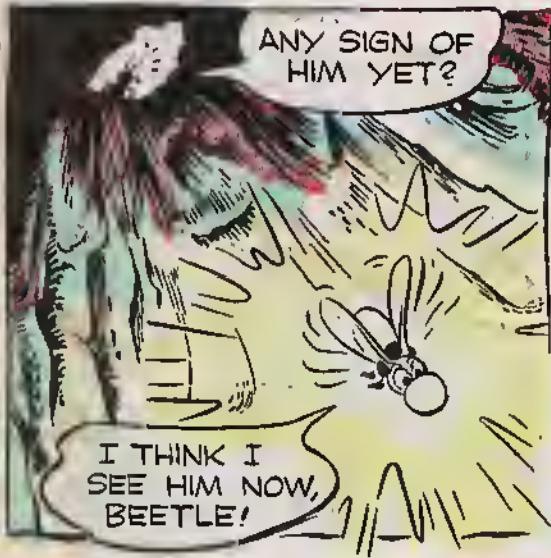
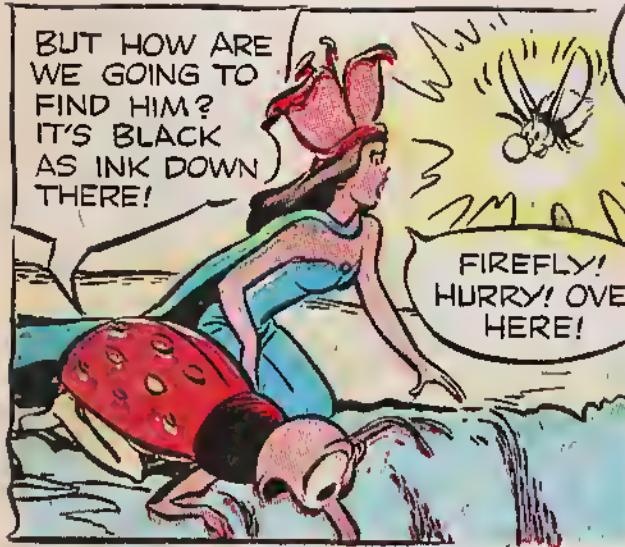
THAT'LL FINISH THEM FOR GOOD!



HURRY! FILL THIS CAVE WITH
LIGHT... YOUR MOST DAZZLING LIGHT!







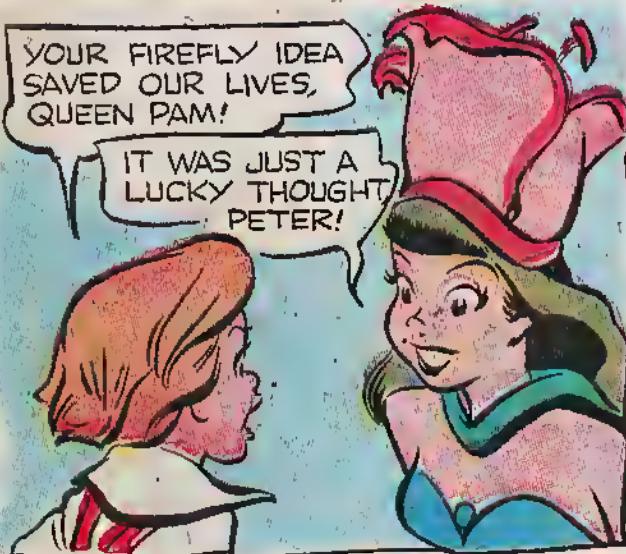
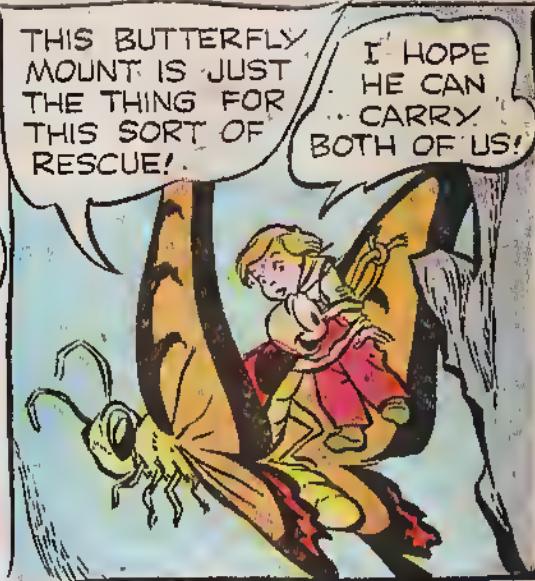
SECONDS
LATER,
BEETLE
FLUTTERS
DOWN INTO
THE PIT ON A
BUTTERFLY
MOUNT.

YOU MUST HAVE
A CHARMED LIFE,
PETER!

IT LOOKS
THAT WAY!

THIS BUTTERFLY
MOUNT IS JUST
THE THING FOR
THIS SORT OF
RESCUE!

I HOPE
HE CAN
CARRY
BOTH OF US!



QUICKLY! EVERYONE OUT
OF THE CAVE!



IF ALL THE FIREFLYS BURN
OUT, THE BATS WILL HAVE
US AT THEIR MERCY AGAIN!



I'M THE LAST ONE OUT,
PETER! THE CAVE IS
DARK AGAIN!

LET'S BE ON
OUR WAY!

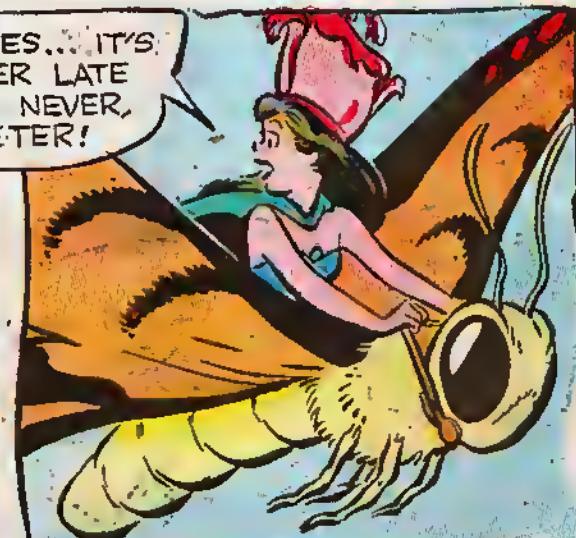


THE FARTHER I GET
AWAY FROM THOSE
CAVES, THE BETTER
I LIKE IT!



I'M SORRY WE'RE
GOING TO BE LATE
FOR YOUR FLOWER
FESTIVAL, QUEEN
PAM!

BESIDES... IT'S
BETTER LATE
THAN NEVER,
PETER!



"to YOU My Customer"

THE FINEST
PETER WHEAT
ADVERTISING
MESSAGE IN
THE WORLD
GOES OUT OVER
THE BACK FENCE

MY DEAR, THIS PETER
WHEAT BREAD IS MUCH
SWEETER, WHITER,
MOISTER, LIGHTER
AND TASTIER - AND
IT'S DELIVERED
TO YOUR DOOR!

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"My good neighbor wants you to stop and 'tell' your story. My neighbor's

"name is _____, address _____"

"My name is _____"